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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of centers of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) located in the country;

(b) whether the ICMR proposes to open more such centers in various parts of the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the main functions and the locations identified for setting up of the same; and

(d) the time by which the new centers are likely to be opened?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has 26 centres situated in different parts of the country; 20 of these address themselves to specific health topics (such as tuberculosis, leprosy, cholera and enteric diseases, AIDS, Malaria, vector control, nutrition, reproduction, oncology, immunohaematology, medical statistics etc.) and 6 are regional institutes.

(b)to(d) According to ICMR, the Council propose to establish field units of National Institute of Virology at Alapazzha in Kerala and Gorakhpur in UP. An ICMR Centre for Excellence is also proposed to be established at Kings Institute of Preventive Medicine, Chennai.